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PATENT  
Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 03063.0396-02

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
John E. EBY et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1732  
Application No.: 09/287,631 ) Examiner: A. Kuhns  
Filed: April 7, 1999 ) Confirmation No.: 6525  
For: SURFACE COVERINGS HAVING )  
A NATURAL APPEARANCE AND )  
METHODS TO MAKE A SURFACE )  
COVERING HAVING A NATURAL )  
APPEARANCE )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

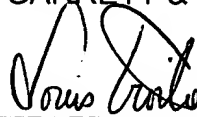
Applicants hereby petition for a two month extension of time to May 15, 2004, in response to the Notice of Appeal filed January 15, 2004. A fee of \$420.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

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